

# Romaine B. Ware - Lilies

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**Here's something worth sending for . . .**

**THE EXOTIC SPIDER-LILY**

If you've never enjoyed the Spider-lily (*Hymenocallis*) in your garden you have a rare treat coming. While not a true lily like *Auratum* or the *Regale*, once blooming in your garden, you'll never want to be without them. An absolute "must" for the all-white border or the scented garden. As all blooms do not come at once, their season is quite long.

By starting indoors early in January or February, they may be forced into early bloom. For early outdoor bloom, start in pots inside during March or April, plunging the pots outside when danger of frost is past. You may have an all-season succession of them by holding bulbs in a cool dry place from winter to early summer and planting at intervals of a few weeks. After danger of frost is past plant them right out in the garden.

Spider-lilies like a rich friable soil, well filled with humus and perfectly drained. Peat moss is ideal for humus and add compost if you have it. Mix in thoroughly. For flowering in pots, put one bulb in a five or six-inch pot with the top of the bulb just at the surface. Be sure the soil is right. Outside, cover the top of the bulb with three or four inches of soil. Full sun is best but broken shade will do nicely.

We can ship these bulbs this fall or early in the spring. Large bulbs that will flower this season, postpaid only . . . . . \$1.95  
Cultural directions with each order. Three bulbs for . . . . . \$5.00

**Plant Hardy Cyclamen NOW for Year Around Bloom**

You can have masses of these lovely rare flowers in your semi-shady garden almost every month in the year. Note the profusion of bloom pictured here on a single large corm of the variety *Neapolitanum*, white or clear pink. Others come in all shades of rose to deep crimson. We offer twelve different varieties, see full descriptions, page 24 in 1955 catalog. In mild areas you may have bloom every month of the year. Lovely in pots in a cool room.

**CYCLAMEN SPECIAL No. 25-J**

Three corms each of three Cyclamen varieties, namely *Repandum* No. 1173, bright crimson early spring; *Europaeum* No. 1177, crimson-rose summer, and *Neapolitanum* No. 1170, clear pink fall—nine corms in all, a catalog value of \$8.95. Cultural directions with each order. Shipped postpaid SPECIAL HANDLING for immediate planting, only . . . . . \$7.45

Five bulbs each of three varieties \$12.25



# Romaine B. Ware's New Hardy Lilies



**OCTOBER and NOVEMBER** are lily planting months and as this is written in August, the '55 crop looks extra fine. Some varieties will be limited but the crop of most kinds is ample. Of Candidums, there are none at all. Fortunately most of the new improved Hybrids are in excellent supply but you would be wise to get your orders in at once. If ordering from the East or extreme South, send your order via AIRMAIL. It saves several days reaching us and enables us to give you just that much better service.

On the next page we offer two exceptional specials both of them extra fine values and the varieties in them, among the most wanted and desirable kinds. Every one practically foolproof. All are Oregon grown and fresh dug. We ship in October and every item offered in this circular comes POSTPAID SPECIAL HANDLING. This rushes them to you as fast as first class mail. All bulbs are packed in moist peat moss in cellophane. Customers tell us they arrive as fresh as if dug from their own gardens.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS** for your garden friends might well be collections of fine lilies. Hundreds of our customers have us send lily bulbs in the fall with their Christmas cards enclosed. If requested, we send also a copy of our book . . . "Success with Lilies" with either of the collections offered in this circular. In the south, we send the bulbs at Christmas time but where winter comes early, we send them in October. Rare indeed would be the gardener who would not be more than pleased to receive a Christmas gift of fine lily bulbs at planting time in the fall.

**SOMETHING NEW** has been added — truly a startlingly new item — a Christmas Gift package of unusual quality. You'll find it offered inside this circular. If you want a gift for one of those difficult folk who have "everything", here it is. Many of you look to us as connoisseurs of fine exotic lilies but do not know of my life-long search for fine foods. You know the world's finest lilies come from Oregon but few have heard of the extra fine cheeses and other food items from this far west state. If you want an unusual gift, a gift for the true Gourmet, you will find it here.

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# *Order Now* FOR FALL PLANTING...FOR

**NEVER** have *Lilies* been  
so excitingly new, so daring,  
yet practical with all!



## **DeGraaff Hybrid Special No. 34-J**

Here's a very special offer on five varieties of DeGraaff's famous hybrid lilies featured on the center spread (pages B and C) in the 1955 catalog which you received some time ago. You get one each of Golden Clarion, Heart's Desire strain and Sunburst strain PLUS three each of Enchantment and Golden Chalice—nine bulbs in all, shipped postpaid SPECIAL HANDLING for immediate planting.

Catalog value \$9.95 . . . . . only **\$8.35**

**Two collections—18 bulbs—only \$16.00**

## **FALL '55 SPECIAL STARTER COLLECTION No. 43-J**

A very special offer, four fine lilies, three of each, sparkling red Amabile, lovely yellow Davidi Unicolor, mid-summer flowering white Green Mt. Hybrid and the ever popular Regale. A catalog value of over \$7.00, postpaid SPECIAL HANDLING—12 bulbs only **\$5.20.** Two collections, 24 bulbs, only **\$9.95**

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FOR FALL BULB SPECIALS**

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	<b>Fall '55 Starter No. 43-J @ . . . . .</b>	<b>\$5.20</b>
	<b>Two of the above No. 43-J . . . . .</b>	<b>\$9.95</b>
	<b>Spider-Lily, each . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1.95</b>
	<b>Three spider lilies . . . . .</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
	<b>Cyclamen Special No. 25-J . . . . .</b>	<b>\$7.45</b>

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# FOR GIFTS, Every Bulb OREGON GROWN

Merry Christmas  
*for you!*



## FIRST CALL FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

Dear Friends:

Here it is! A mouth-watering, heart-warming Christmas Gift. A treat your friends and family will remember long after the eating. Take my word for it!

## Our '55 CHRISTMAS GIFT Package

It's early to think about Christmas, but garden folk like you and I are used to ordering things early. This, our newest item, is worthy of your careful consideration. Our thousands of customers look to us for the world's finest lilies. Now my life-time search for fine foods lets me offer you specially selected items, knowing they will satisfy the most exacting tastes. Every item, the finest in its field.

Here are four superb food items. Oregon cheese, little known except on the west coast, is easily the world's finest. Tillamook aged Cheddar has repeatedly taken top honors in nation-wide competition. It's a premium cheese, not sold in stores. And famous Langlois Blue is a dessert cheese, the most literally blue-blooded of the royal family of Roquefort, Stilton and Gorgonzola. A tossed salad with Blue cheese becomes a culinary triumph. It makes ordinary French dressing an epicurean delight. This Gift Package includes three generous wedges of the Cheddar and a large square of the Blue.

The third item in this unusual Christmas Package is an ample sized jar of inimitable Wild Mountain Blackberry Preserve. Only a limited quantity of these wild berries are available and I feel most fortunate to be able to offer them. The last item in this pack is a very special brand of Smoked Salmon. The Pacific Northwest is world-famous for this delicacy but this special brand tops them all. It's non-fatty, slow smoked over hardwood fires and vacuum-packed without oil. Thinly sliced before packing, it's ready-to-serve and makes unimaginably delicious hors d'oeuvre.

These deluxe food specialties are packed in a colorful Christmas box and we will be happy to include your Christmas card. They are shipped POSTPAID SPECIAL HANDLING to arrive ten days to two weeks before Christmas, safe delivery guaranteed. Early orders are advisable because supply is limited. Each Gift Package \$7.45.

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# *They Say—*

**From NEW JERSEY** — “I’ve had some remarkable blooms, far more than anticipated from the lily bulbs put in. I have but one regret, that I did not discover much sooner, the immense pleasure of a lily garden.”

**From TEXAS** — “I am very proud of my lily bed. People just marvel at the huge blooms and such strong stems...just think, twelve bulbs and a hundred and six gorgeous blooms, a sight to see in one front yard. It’s wonderful to see down here in Texas where it has been so hot and dry from year to year from droughts . . . people can hardly believe it possible to grow such huge, beautiful lilies. I tell them they can if they get their bulbs from Romaine B. Ware.”

**From IOWA** — “The lilies bought from you the last few years are all doing fine. Some are now in bloom, others full of buds. Have never lost a single bulb and what glorious surprises I have had when they bloom for the first time.”

**From WISCONSIN** — “I used your Micro-nized Copper spray and not one lily has failed to be sturdy and healthy. I now have about a dozen Speciosums, all healthy. Some put in a year ago, suffered a little from blight, but the Copper spray has kept them fine this year and they are now in full bud.”

**From OHIO** — “My lilies from you are superb. I have several Olympics over five feet tall and my Regales are wonderful. I followed your directions on soil preparation very carefully.”

**From TEXAS** — “Your lilies were simply beautiful, just breathtaking, as high as forty blossoms per plant. And I truly believe your Lily Food was very much responsible. I fed them regularly last summer, following your instructions to the letter and then added bone meal in the fall.”

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